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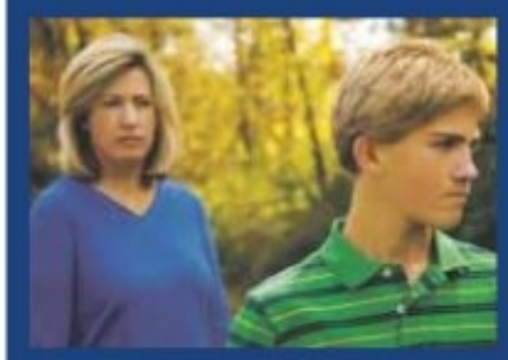
As the sixth season of "Mad Men" finally gets under way, the '60s are in full swing and the shake-ups at Sterling Cooper Draper Pryce mean that nothing is certain. Jon Hamm and creator Matthew Weiner talk about the new season's cryptic poster, and Elisabeth Moss discusses Peggy Olson's fate. / FRANK OCKENFELS, AMC



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In the news

Building to serve as super screen

The classic Atari video game Pong will be recreated on the face of the Cira Centre tower on April 19 and 24 as part of Philly Tech Week. Hundreds of embedded LED lights will replicate the infamous paddles and ball, allowing hundreds of onlookers to play from afar. Joysticks will be mounted on tables on the steps of the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

Local Tweet

"I bet St. Peter is giving Roger Ebert two thumbs way up right now."

—@dtrainXpress, Philadelphian Dan T expresses his feelings toward recently departed movie critic Roger Ebert

Underage

Ridley teacher bought beer for students, police say

A 33-year-old Ridley High School English teacher is in trouble with the law and her employer after she allegedly bought beer for students last month.

Katherine Leigh Preusser was arrested in Middletown on March 23 after she was found traveling with two 17-year-old students in a car that contained empty beer cans, a bong, marijuana and unidentified pills, reports say.

The Ridley School District suspended Preusser last week pending an investigation.

Preusser was charged with furnishing alcohol to minors after a 17-year-old girl failed a breath test. METRO

Crime

La Salle student says she was raped over weekend

A 20-year-old La Salle student reportedly was kidnapped and raped by a group of men last weekend.

The woman told investigators she was abducted by four men who forced her into a van around 10 p.m. Sunday on the 4800 block of 10th Street, roughly a mile from the La Salle campus, reports say.

The victim said she was taken to an undisclosed location where the men repeatedly raped her. METRO

Crafts

Family Day at the art museum

Sunday is Family Day at the Philadelphia Museum of Art from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Families will use mixed media and sculptures to create art. METRO

District Attorney Seth Williams is flanked by state Rep. John Taylor and state Sen. Larry Farnese. / RIKARD LARMA

Illegal firearms could cost owners

Primed. Bipartisan laws will create a mandatory minimum jail sentence for illegal gun owners in Philadelphia.

Officials on Thursday announced a gun violence crackdown — and Philadelphia is squarely in their crosshairs.

Two companion bills introduced in the state House by Rep. John Taylor, R-Phil., and the state Senate by Sen. Larry Farnese, D-Phil., would make illegal firearm ownership in Philadelphia a third-degree felony and mandate a two-year minimum jail sentence for offenders.

"It's like a laser that goes directly at those evildoers," District Attorney Seth Williams said. "That's what this legislation does."

Farnese said it "irks" him that politicians in Harrisburg are always willing to support funding for ammunition, cars and radios — "the tools as they say, so to speak, that law enforcement needs to do their jobs."

"But I'll tell you what law enforcement has told us," he continued. "That just as important as those pieces of equipment are the legislative tools that they need to do their jobs and to make the streets safer for all of us. That's exactly what this legislation is combined to do."

Taylor said the law isn't a "gun bill," but a "crime-fighting tool" desperately needed by Philadelphia police and prosecutors.

"We hear all the time in the gun debate about enforcing the rules we have," he said. "We are enhancing the rules that already exist."

When asked whether the Philadelphia prison system can accommodate more inmates — its population has already swelled due to tougher firearm offense sentences doled out by local judges — Williams said the city will make room.

"We'll make sure there's special cheese sandwiches for these people," he said. "If you carry a gun illegally, you're a person that wants to kill my daughters or my aunt. Yes, there will be a place in prison for them for two years."

Biting the Big Apple

The measure is modelled on a 2005 New York City law creating a three-and-a-half-year mandatory minimum sentence for illegal gun ownership.

20%. The drop in NYC's homicide rate the year after the law's passage

414. The number of people who were murdered in New York City last year

65%. Percentage of those homicides committed with a gun

334. People murdered in Philly last year

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Community. GPTMC highlights hot spots in 14 neighborhoods

The Greater Philadelphia Tourism Marketing Corp. launched a new neighborhoods initiative Friday that intends to highlight amenities in 14 burgeoning neighborhoods within Center City's wingspan.

Mayor Michael Nutter said in an email that the city's goal is to encourage "visitors and residents alike to look at what all of Philadelphia has to offer, beginning with these 14 vibrant neighborhoods surrounding Center City."

The initiative aims to introduce several options for visitors and natives to eat, drink, socialize and play that otherwise would be unknown.

The 14 were chosen based on proximity to Center City and for their arts and entertainment offerings.

The tourism group also launched a website, www.visitphilly.com/neighborhoods, that serves as a clearinghouse of all the best spots in the selected 14 neighborhoods. Meryl Levitz, CEO of GPTMC, said the city needs more explorers.

"We want visitors to go one more block," she said.

Levitz called the new campaign a "win for the city's cool factor." METRO

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- Powelton Village
- Spruce Hill
- Cedar Park

Rallying for the Phils' home opener

Phillie Phanatic — joined by friends — made his way through Center City on a bus Thursday afternoon to get people pumped for the Phillies' home opener Friday afternoon against the Kansas City Royals at Citizens Bank Park. Our Fightin' Phils got off to a slow start this week but hope to bounce back when they hit home turf. Break out your rally towels. / RIKARD LARMA

Still sick

Mayor Nutter vetoes paid leave bill

Mayor Michael Nutter vetoed a City Council bill that would have extended paid sick leave benefits to most Philadelphians.

Sponsor Councilman Bill Greenlee said in a statement he's "deeply disappointed" by the decision.

"This administration claims to be about fairness for the little people and good public health for all," he said, citing the smoking ban and saying paid sick leave should be "consistent with the administration's stated goals." It appears the council is one vote short of a veto override, but Greenlee vowed to keep fighting. "I am confident that by this time next week, workplace rules will become a little fairer."

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Remembrance

Holocaust Memorial Service will be held Sunday

The Annual Holocaust Memorial Service will be held 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Sunday, on the 1800 block of the Benjamin Franklin Parkway. METRO

Stealing game

Trio steals three consoles

A man, woman and child allegedly stole two Xbox 360 systems, an Xbox Kinect and a PlayStation 3 totaling about $1,400 Monday from a Camden County Kmart when they broke into a display case, police said. METRO

The trio that robbed Kmart
COURTESY

New chief

Council wants its own chief

A day after Mayor Michael Nutter announced the city's first chief revenue collector, City Council floated the creation of a chief revenue generator to find sources outside of tax hikes or service cuts. METRO

Imposter

Woman posed as nurse

A 24-year-old posed as a nurse at Saint Christopher's on Tuesday and examined several patients, police said.

Ashley Delvalle allegedly touched a child inappropriately and weighed another, police said. METRO

Spirit's first flight grounded

Delayed. The airline's inaugural flight didn't land in the Philly airport as planned.

Spirit comes to Philly.
RIKARD LARMA

Spirit Airlines' first flight was delayed.

Spirit spokeswoman Misty Pinson said they did not receive FAA authorization to fly from Dallas-Fort Worth to Philadelphia International Airport.

"The Philadelphia authorization has taken longer than expected," she said in an email. "We are actively working with the FAA to secure the necessary authorization as quickly as possible."

The inaugural flight was slated to land Thursday morning, welcomed by Mayor Michael Nutter. Passengers instead landed in Atlantic City. METRO

Ultimo named best coffee shop in the country

Ultimo Coffee this week was named the best coffee shop in America by popular food and drink blog The Daily Meal. "It's crazy. I look at that list and any one of them could have been No. 1. I find it extraordinary that we could be at the top of the list," said Aaron Ultimo, above with his wife Elizabeth and their daughter Elena, 1. Aaron and Elizabeth own the shop. "We have a great staff. People that love coffee and want to share that love with others, and they're friendly and engaging. I am deeply proud of my staff." Ultimo opened in 2009 at 15th and Mifflin streets. A second store opened last year. / CHARLES MOSTOLLER

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Opinion

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CONSPIRACY? IT'S NOT JUST A THEORY

The North Koreans are running around like a bunch of college kids with nuclear bottle rockets; the improving U.S. economy nonetheless remains as shaky as Justin Bieber's social skills; and the Reagan kids are arguing over whether dad would have liked gay marriage.

Yet 4 percent of American voters still have time to worry about secret, shape-shifting reptilians controlling our societies by gaining political powers. Public Policy Polling, an outfit out of North Carolina that normally focuses on serious political matters, conducted a survey recently about such things. The results give us what, for my money, is probably a more accurate picture of our beliefs than we'll ever get by asking questions about John Boehner, Harry Reid, or … snore … Sarah Palin again.

Among the findings: About a third of us definitely believe in space aliens, and another quarter concede the possibility of little ETs orbiting our planet. One out of 10 of us thinks the fluoride added to our water is not for our teeth, but rather for some more sinister purpose. Personally, I think this is how Jimmy Fallon got "The Tonight Show." A slightly higher percentage think the CIA helped start the crack epidemic of the 1980s. About as many think Barack Obama is the Antichrist.

Some of these conspiracy theories are decidedly partisan. Democrats will chortle at the more than 30 percent of Republicans and independents who fear the secret rise of a New World Order. But then again, almost three-quarters of Democrats are convinced George W. Bush intentionally misled the public just so he could start the Iraq War. And by the way, more than half of all Americans in this survey said they think the Kennedy assassination was part of a bigger plot, despite no definitive proof through 50 years of investigations.

I guess I should be concerned that so many American voters are so suspicious and confused about the state of things, but I'm just not. After all, that could make it easier when we reptilians finally rise to claim the planet. Mwah ha ha.

Quoted

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Facebook's smartphone

Facebook on Thursday unveiled its most ambitious attempt yet to enter mobile computing without a phone of its own, introducing a new app that replaces the home screen on some Android smartphones. /GETTY IMAGES

Election

Clinton memoir likely to fuel 2016 speculation

Hillary Clinton
GETTY IMAGES

Hillary Clinton, already the front-runner in the minds of many Democrats for the 2016 U.S. presidential election, is writing a memoir about world affairs and her time as secretary of state that will likely fuel more speculation about her political future.

The presidential prospects of Clinton, the wife of former President Bill Clinton, are a subject of feverish speculation in Washington and elsewhere as Democrats look to see over the horizon past President Barack Obama. **REUTERS**

School shooting

Connecticut governor signs strict gun law

Connecticut Gov. Dannel Malloy on Thursday signed a tough new gun law that restricts sales of the sort of high-capacity ammunition clips that a gunman used to massacre 26 people in minutes in December in an attack at Sandy Hook Elementary School.

The law also requires background checks for all gun purchases, expands the number of guns covered by the states' assault-weapons ban and establishes a $15 million fund to help schools improve security infrastructure. **REUTERS**

Elisabeth Moss on her 'Men'

TV. The real Peggy Olson discusses still being on Season 6 of "Mad Men" and getting away from Don Draper.

Despite fears of the contrary, copywriting whiz Peggy Olson (Elisabeth Moss) is actually back on the sixth season of "Mad Men." / FRANK OCKENFELS, AMC

When Elisabeth Moss found out last year that her "Mad Men" character Peggy Olson would be leaving her job at Sterling Cooper Draper Pryce, she had just one question for creator Matthew Weiner. "He called me before the Episode 11 script came out, and he told me the whole thing," she recalls. "He called me and said all this stuff's going to happen and you're going to leave. I was like, 'That sounds amazing. Am I still on the show?' He was actually a little bit offended and said, 'Of course! Yes!' I said, 'Well, it's a logical question.'"

Moss is still very much a part of "Mad Men" going into the new season, even if she's off to a new agency — though she admits she was a bit worried about how much screen time she'd have now that she's not an employee of Sterling Cooper Draper Pryce. "I was personally kind of sad because I love those guys. That's where I grew up," she says. "The only thing I can say is I'm very happy with where it's gone. I was kind of expecting not to be in it so much, because I thought, well, I'm at a different agency. And I'm pleasantly surprised."

Quoted

"I was kind of expecting not to be in it so much, because I thought, well, I'm at a different agency. And I'm pleasantly surprised."
Elisabeth Moss

Moss even acknowledged that her presence in interviews didn't necessarily mean Peggy would be seen much. "Maybe this is a huge trick," she jokes.

One thing she can talk about is the impact Peggy's mentor and former boss Don Draper (Jon Hamm) has had on her — and the repercussions that may have going forward. "I think Don is what her idea of what a boss is," Moss says. "She tries her hand at that a bit, but ultimately she's still Peggy. What actually makes Don love her and respect her so much is that she's better than him. She has a heart, and I think it brings up an interesting thing about female bosses and how they might be different than male bosses, especially at that time. I think that she's going to have to learn every season how to do it her way — how to be herself — and not follow other people, specifically Don."

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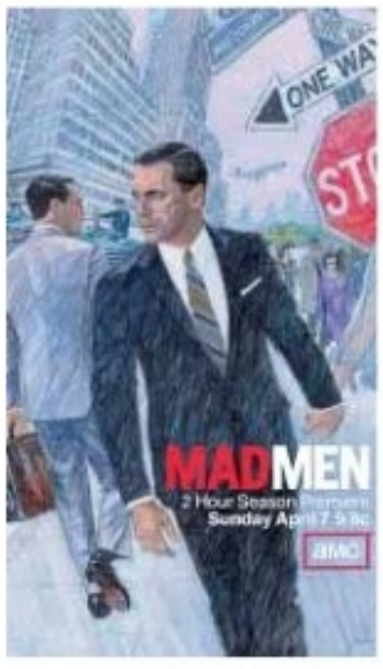
TV. Matt Weiner and Jon Hamm discuss the imagery of Season 6's promotional poster.



Being that "Mad Men" is a show about advertising, it's been important that it have great advertising itself, and the promotional image for Season 6 is no different — though it does break from the show's previous style in a striking way. For the image, "Mad Men" turned to 75-year-old illustrator Brian Sanders, who created a lush, period-appropriate image with two Don Drapers and plenty of suggestive imagery.

"I know people are looking for meaning and everything. There is a lot of meaning in it," series creator Matt Weiner concedes. "It came from a dream. I had this dream — and it was not Don, it was me, but a lot of stuff is like that." So what was that dream — and this season's promo poster — about exactly? Never a fan of divulging specifics, Weiner at least offers that the focus is on "the anxiety that is created by — in all of these characters — wondering why they are the way they are," he says. "Maybe you're a fraud, maybe you're facing all the bad things you've ever done in your life, but you are back in a place where you are the issue. So you have a choice about, like, can you change? And I feel like there's that person that's you that's right behind you, and you know what they look like and inside you're something else."

Hoping for something more concrete, we went to series star Jon Hamm for some further illumination. "It's a very rich image," he says. "Matt was very involved in the choosing of this particular image and finding the artist he wanted. He wanted this specific style of art. It's so different also from our normal stylistic kind of cues, which are very graphic and very sparse. This is chaotic and different and in may ways kind of suggests the world we're moving into."

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Through Hamm's eyes

What viewers should keep an eye on when examining the poster:

- **"The central motif of it obviously is these two versions of this one man crossing.** But which one are we supposed to be following?"
- **"One of them is with somebody and one of them is not.** I think that shouldn't be lost on people."
- **"One of them has a briefcase in his hand, one of them doesn't."**
- **"There's a one-way sign, there's a stop sign.** Those aren't mistakes."

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TV watch list

Comedy

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Michael Kiley is The Mural and the Mint. / MICHAEL KILEY

Tune in to the sounds of Rittenhouse

Music. Composer Michael Kiley turned the noise of the park into an original song.

Michael Kiley wrote a song that you can only hear in Rittenhouse Square. You don't need a home with the posh address to play it — just an iPhone. Kiley apologizes in advance for the exclusivity.

After all, this is the man who creates music under the name The Mural and the Mint — a Philadelphia-focused comment on art versus commerce, he says.

"The Empty Air: A Rittenhouse Square Sound Walk" weaves together lyrics and instruments with the sounds of Rittenhouse itself. Kiley, who's a composer and sound designer for several local theater and dance companies, spent a year recording rustling leaves, church bells, chirping birds, footfalls, car honks and snippets of conversation before blending them into the six-minute composition.

"The recording is manipulated, looped, distorted. It's like a giant remix project," he says.

Next he teamed up with P'unk Avenue in South Philly to turn that project into an iPhone app, downloadable for 99 cents.

The app tracks your phone's GPS, playing different pieces of the song depending on where you are in the park. When you hit the center, you'll hear the whole thing.

"I'm hoping this will be the first in a series," Kiley says. "I picked Rittenhouse because it's the most widely used public space in Philly — I'm trying to gain an audience, then eventually I'll do this in areas of town that could benefit from new foot traffic."

"Like any good work of public art," he adds, "I hope that this can effect change."

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Release the app

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"The Empty Air" release party is tonight. After The Mural and The Mint perform, stroll across the street to the park to check out the app. (April 5, 8 p.m., Rittenhouse Tavern at the Philadelphia Art Alliance, 251 S. 18th St.)

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They Might Be Giants and 'jingles for insane ideas'

Music. John Flansburgh explains the brevity of some of his band's new "Nanobots."

John and John of They Might Be Giants may have to worry about the burden of being too inspired.
EARL MCGEHEE, GETTY IMAGES

Fans of They Might Be Giants know to expect the unexpected. Over the course of a 31-year career, the Brooklyn-based duo of John Linnell and John Flansburgh have carved out a solid pop music niche as whip-smart geek-rockers and deft musical satirists, with a trademark sense of humor that's equal parts existential dread and surreal silliness — often within the same song. In more recent years, they've supplied music for films, TV and even done children's albums. "We're just as aware [as anyone else] of what an unlikely place we reside in, in the rock constellation," Flansburgh says.

Their most recent effort, "Nanobots," reflects all these trends, with subjects ranging from exploding heads ("You're On Fire") to Oedipal complexes ("Call You Mom") to inventor Nikola Tesla ("Telsa"). Its most distinguishing feature, however, is a set of what Flansburgh describes as "miniature" songs, many less than 15 seconds long, interspersed among the longer tracks.

"They're almost like jingles for insane ideas," he says.

Madness, perhaps, but not without a method.

"As we were constructing the album," Flansburgh says, "we were looking for a way to make it less predictable as a listening experience."

Mission accomplished. Then again, unpredictability is something of an M.O. for TMBG, and pop music clichés, in both style and substance, have always been fairly taboo for the duo.

"Starting from an 'anything but clichéd love songs' point of view is actually pretty liberating," he says. "It's going to make things bolder as you approach writing songs. … I know the experience of being affected by a song, and I know how tremendous that is, and a lot of times it does come from a song landing an idea that seems all its own."

Inspiration

Eccentric subjects

Where do TMBG's unusual subjects come from? In the case of the song "Tesla," it was originally meant to be a scientific history lesson for kids, but as Flansburgh researched the inventor further, Tesla's notorious ambition — occasionally bordering on delusion — struck him more deeply.

"The core of the song is a meditation on the burden of having too much information or being too inspired," he says.

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Scandal and slander in the art world inspired "Permanent Collection," which is being revived. / JULIE M. TOTH

A 'primal' drama set at the Barnes

Theater. InterAct's revival of the 2003 play is still relevant.

At the end of Thomas Gibbons' 2003 play "Permanent Collection," inspired by a racially charged conflict at the Barnes Foundation, the prospect of relocating the Main Line museum to the city is raised. Ten years later, audiences in Philadelphia are very aware of how that particular controversy played out in real life.

"Now that it has happened, I think the play gives us a different perspective on what was gained or what was lost by the move," Gibbons says.

The show, the most successful production in the InterAct Theatre Company's history, is back for another run. Four of the six original cast members are returning, along with several members of the original design team.

"The dramatic situation of the play is one of the primal dramatic situations: a stranger comes to town," Gibbons says. "In the last several years, it's been interesting to see how that mirrors Barack Obama being elected president, which is in a sense the same kind of story. There's not a one-to-one parallel, but there are eerie resonances."

"Permanent Collection" was inspired by the protests of the Barnes' Lower Merion neighbors to a proposed new parking lot at the site. The Barnes' then-president Richard Glanton accused the neighbors of racism; they retaliated by suing him for slander.

At the time, Gibbons was working primarily with themes of race in plays set in Philadelphia, including "6221," about the MOVE bombing, and "A House With No Walls," about the President's House site.

"Philadelphia offers up these stories on a pretty regular basis," he says. "So it's impossible to just pretend that race is no longer an issue, which some people would like to think."

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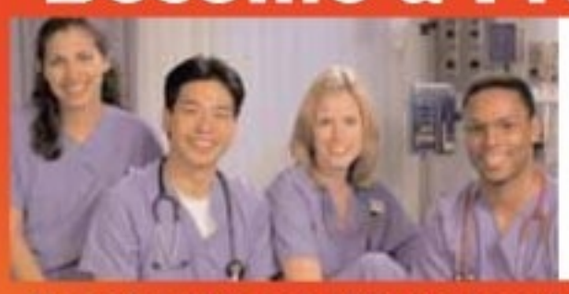

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Photos are 'lost and found' at Gravy gallery

Pictures. The venue has a new home and a new show.

Gravy Studio & Gallery is showing off its new home in Kensington with a fresh exhibit. "Lost and Found," a collection of photographs by Laura Kicey, opens tonight and will be on display all month.

"The old space was awesome — it was in a vintage motorcycle warehouse — but you couldn't use it as an actual studio," says Gravy co-owner Katie Tackman about the gallery's move from its former Fishtown spot. "Here we have a place to shoot and work, plus our gallery."

Gravy debuts a photography exhibit, along with a complementary-music performance, every First Friday. In between, they "don't really have a schedule," Tackman says. "If the doors are open, come in."

"Lost and Found" includes several landscapes Kicey took in Iceland, as well as a collection of portraits.

"Her portraits are very ephemeral. The way she lights things, the subjects kind of blend into the environment," says Tackman, who's also a photographer. "They're not just fashion portraits — they create a narrative."

Laura Kicey's landscapes adorn the walls at Gravy. / PROVIDED

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If you go

'Lost and Found'

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Why 'Gravy'?

"We wanted something that had nothing to do with photography," Tackman says of the name. "So many galleries use their address or a photo reference, but we decided since we are a pretty alternative photo gallery, we should have a name that reflects that. Plus, we were probably eating when we were discussing names."

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Not quite the most terrifying movie you will ever see

Film. The 'Evil Dead' reincarnation retains the intense, genuinely nightmarish tone of the original.

Because the sequels took a goofier stance, it's easy to forget that Sam Raimi's first, scrappily no-budget 1981 film "The Evil Dead" is a serious, harrowing experience that's only a masochist's idea of a fun time. The new sorta-remake of Raimi's breakthrough unexpectedly — one could say inexplicably, considering the Diablo Cody screenplay credit — retains the intense, genuinely nightmarish tone of the original. Here, as there, being forced to perform self-amputation doesn't, a la "Evil Dead II," result in an amusing Ernest Hemingway joke.

As with the original, a quintet of collegiates visit a creaky cabin, where one of them finds — and very foolishly reads aloud from — a mysterious book made of human skin and written in dried blood. Inevitably, a demon latches onto the one (Jane Levy) who's there to go cold turkey on her smack habit. She promptly turns into a super-carnivore prone to "Exorcist"-y obscenities.

"The Cabin in the Woods" was supposed to end audiences' preoccupation with the titular horror cliche, and this new "Evil Dead" gets major brownie points for playing it completely straight anyway. It also, alas, subscribes to the notion that characters ought to behave idiotically, none moreso than Levy's dedicated brother (Shiloh Fernandez), whose insistence

Review

'Evil Dead'

Director: Fede Alvarez

Stars: Jane Levy, Shiloh Fernandez

Rating: R

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Jane Levy is pictured in one of the many bloody moments in the "Evil Dead" remake. / TRISTAR PICTURES

that his sister's merely in the grips of withdrawal extends well past being monstrously delusional.

Director Fede Alvarez powers through the inanities, cranking up the dread with a pukey color palette and an army of fog machines. There's few bodies to rip through, so the final survivors are kept inhumanly spry. It's safe to say few screen characters have sustained this much physical damage and (almost) lived, with one taking hits from a kitchen knife, a syringe (to the eye!), a nail gun and a crowbar.

Is it the most terrifying film you will ever see (as per the ads created by the studio)? No. That would be the "Up" documentaries. But it's effective, despite the inevitable fan service, including a post-credits gag that isn't quite in keeping with the grueling tone. More interesting are its wobbly gender politics. The demon-parasite (or whatever) first enters the picture as a tentacle-thing crawling into Levy's nether regions (in an equivalent of the original's notorious tree-rape sequence). The women go first — but don't think it won't find a silly way to get itself a Final Girl.

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Film. "Jurassic Park 3D" is an interesting thought experiment, giving a 20-year-old movie a new perspective.

Recall, if you're old enough, 20 summers ago, when "Jurassic Park" arrived on an impossible wave of hype and actually lived up to expectations. In recent years, several movies have invited audiences to evaluate special effects rather than respond to their stories — nearly all-CGI, live-action 3-D in "Avatar"; 48 frames per second in "The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey" — but neither was as game-changing as "Jurassic Park." There'd been dinosaurs onscreen before, of course, but they were clunky/charming stop-motion creations. In 1993, people learned what the acronym "CGI" meant and never forgot it. "I hate computers," Alan Grant (Sam Neill) mutters early on, predicting the reaction of the modern disgruntled theatergoer after being burned by the likes of "Clash of the Titans." But for a brief, promising moment, "Jurassic Park" gave us reason to love them.

As a movie seen by nearly everyone on the planet, "Jurassic Park" remains shockingly well-crafted. Michael Crichton's novel may have been softened to allow for a typical Spielberg surrogate-father-and-kids plot, but the film remains exceedingly suspenseful even if every scene's been long burned into your memory. There's a few odd, dated '90s moments — whiz girl hacker Lex (Ariana Richards) getting excited because she knows how to operate a Unix system — but it's a seamless ride whose F/X has aged shockingly well. The herbivorous dinos are hazy around the edges, but the velociraptors and T. Rex are still tactile, in-your-face threats. In terms of current blockbuster rhythms, it moves slowly, taking half of its running time to establish the players and stakes before unleashing havoc.

There was a time, not so long ago, when movies would get reissued on their anniversaries just to give everyone a chance to see them in a theater again. That era's long gone. In

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Sam Neill tries not to become dino-chow — in three dimensions! — in "Jurassic Park 3D."

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part, "Jurassic Park 3D" is a thought experiment, literally giving a 20-year-old movie a new perspective. The 3-D is done well enough, giving every frame realistic depth without the darkening sadly common to too many 3-D films, but without any new thrills. The technology isn't there yet for making images pop out from old footage, but if there was ever a film that could benefit from having the dinosaurs right in your face, it'd be the one famous for having a T. Rex chase an SUV, its face reflected in a rearview mirror reading "Objects in mirror may be closer than they appear." Not here they're not.

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Review

'Jurassic Park 3D'

Director: Steven Spielberg

Stars: Sam Neill, Laura Dern

Rating: PG-13

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Tagging the Mets

Ty Hickson and Tashiana Washington play Bronx graffiti artists in "Gimme the Loot," out today. / IFC FILMS

Review

'Gimme the Loot'

Director. Adam Leon

Stars. Ty Hickson, Tashiana Washington

Rating. NR

Grade. ● ● ○ ○ ○

Film. This SXSW favorite about Bronx graffiti artists proves hard to love or loathe.

Adam Leon's feature debut is affably unremarkable, making it equally hard to love or loathe. Bronx teens Ty Hickson and Tashiana Washington sublimate romantic attraction into their shared obsession: graffiti. Their dream object is to tag the fiberglass apple that pops up at CitiField when the Mets hit a home run. But they need $500.

There's a notable lack of movies about non-white teens in New York City having a good time rather than suffering or sinking into a life of crime. In that respect, "Loot" resembles the similarly good-natured 2002 film "Raising Victor Vargas," a funny and warm party of a movie. But "Vatrgas" had a more immersive texture, more assured leads and better tossed-off, couldn't-make-that-up overheard dialogue.

The location shooting is nicely rough-and-ready (if oddly Manhattan-centric), but Leon's biggest asset is non-pro Meeko as Champion, the pair's mildly criminal mentor, whose real-life ex-con credibility and charisma spark up the screen. Leon deserves credit for broadening the narrow spectrum of non-white teens onscreen, but the film's too anodyne to leave a mark.

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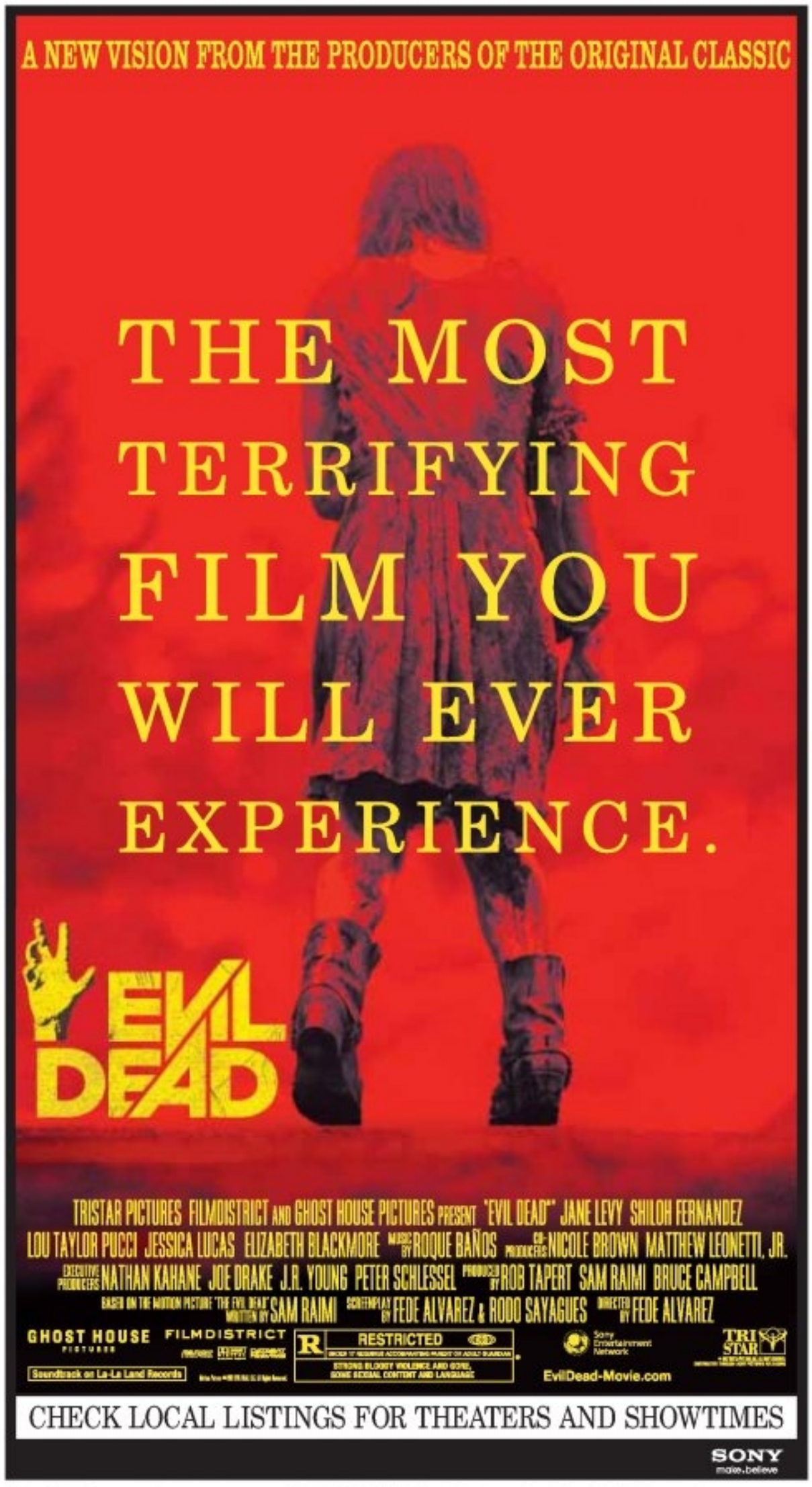
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Dorothy Robinson's take on the world of gossip.

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1 Doodles on my big head

On Wednesday, I asked readers to doodle on my giant head, and you got creative. Reader Roselyn Gonzalez (@rosvgonz) said this doodle was inspired by Frida Kahlo, whereas Tracy Crinion (@TracyCrinion) thinks my head is just fine ("Down with haters!" she wrote), but it didn't keep her from giving me a crown and googly eyes. Perhaps the most attractive SEPTA ticket agent in Philadelphia, @M_ajrseW, said she went with a "Cheshire Dorothy" theme. And Greg Andersson (@GTIndeed) tweeted this with the note that "No one takes issue with the quality of your photo, just the fact that it's front & center."

2 Aren't Norwegians supposed to be sensible?

Officials at five Norwegian schools know what is important: They have reportedly rescheduled their midterm exams so as not to coincide with a pair of Justin Bieber concerts later this month, according to Fox News. School officials were apparently concerned that holding the exams in conflict with the April 16 and 17 concerts would lead to students skipping the tests in favor of seeing Bieber. The singer himself apparently approves, tweeting a link to the news with the comment, "Love this."

3 Roger Ebert dead at 70

Roger Ebert has gone to that great balcony in the sky, the Chicago Sun-Times said via Twitter on Thursday. "It is with a heavy heart we report that legendary film critic Roger Ebert (@ebertchicago) has passed away," the paper tweeted. Ebert gained fame with Gene Siskel on the television show "At the Movies with Gene Siskel and Roger Ebert." His death came just two days after he announced he was taking a "leave of presence" after learning that the thyroid and salivary gland cancer he'd been battling for 10 years had returned.

4 Will and Jada: Gettin' jiggy with it

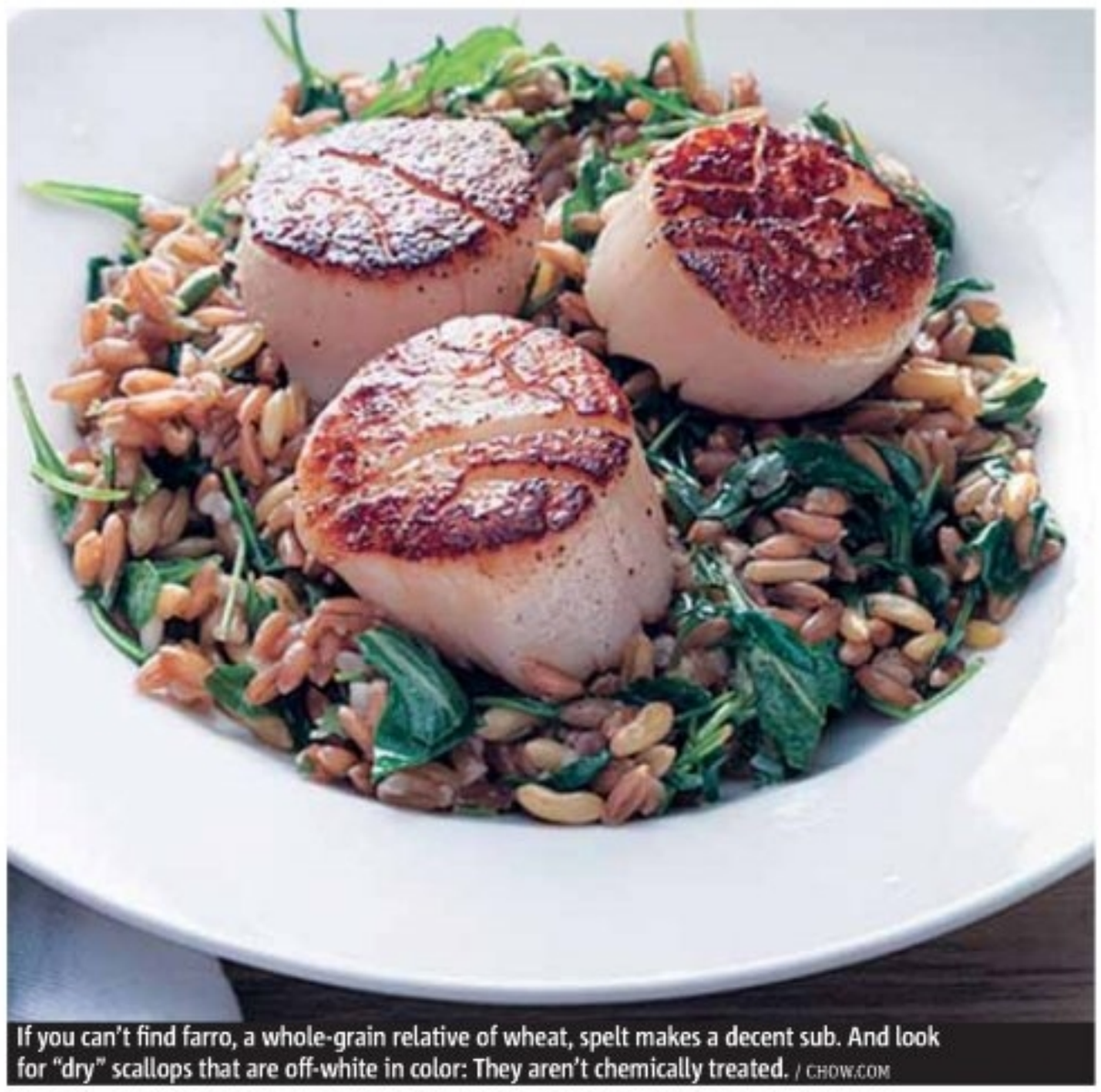
Do Will and Jada Smith have an open marriage? If you read between the lines in a recent interview with the star on HuffPost Live, it certainly seems like it. "I've always told Will, 'You can do whatever you want as long as you can look at yourself in the mirror and be OK,'" she said. "Because at the end of the day, Will is his own man. I'm here as his partner, but he is his own man. He has to decide who he wants to be, and that's not for me to do for him. Or vice versa." Don't let my husband read this, please.

5 Imagine Madonna as a mother-in-law

Today in "Lifestyles of the Rich and Teenager," it looks like Lourdes Leon is dating "Homeland" actor Timothee Chalamet. "Dating is a loose term for it, but yes, they are teenagers being teenagers, so I guess you can call it that," a source close to the two tells Us Weekly. "It has not been going on for very long at all. ... Lola certainly likes her boys just like her mother!

I'm not sure he's the only boy in her life." I'd like to make a funny aside about this pairing, but I can't get over someone would name their son Timothee.

Try this light, spring supper



If you can't find farro, a whole-grain relative of wheat, spelt makes a decent sub. And look for "dry" scallops that are off-white in color: They aren't chemically treated. / CHOW.COM

Food. Taking just minutes to sear, scallops are a fast, yet elegant, weeknight meal.

Seared Scallops with Lemony Farro and Arugula Salad

Ingredients

- 4 1/2 cups water
- 1 1/2 cups farro
- 2 teaspoons kosher salt, plus more as needed
- 1 teaspoon finely grated lemon zest (from about 1 medium lemon)
- 2 tablespoons freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 2 medium garlic cloves, finely chopped
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper, plus more as needed
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 3 ounces baby arugula, washed and coarsely chopped
- 1 pound sea scallops (about 16 medium)

1 Bring water to a boil over high heat in a medium saucepan. Add the farro and one teaspoon of the salt, stir to combine, and return to a simmer. Reduce the heat to medium low and continue simmering, stirring occasionally, until the farro is tender, about 25 to 30 minutes.

2 Meanwhile, place the remaining teaspoon of salt, lemon zest, lemon juice, garlic and measured pepper in a large, nonreactive bowl and stir to combine. While whisking continuously, add three tablespoons of the oil in a slow, steady stream until it's fully incorporated. Set the bowl aside at room temperature for at least 15 minutes.

3 When the farro is ready, immediately drain it. Re-whisk the lemon-garlic dressing, add the warm farro and arugula, and stir to combine. Set aside while you cook the scallops.

4 Remove the white opalescent tab from the side of each scallop, pat them very dry with paper towels, and season both sides with salt and pepper.

5 Heat the remaining tablespoon of oil in a large frying pan over high heat. Place the scallops in the pan and sear until the bottoms are deep golden brown, about three to four minutes. Using tongs, flip the scallops (if they stick, wait until they naturally release before flipping) and sear the second side until the scallops are opaque in the center, about one to two minutes more. Transfer to a large plate.

6 Stir the farro salad, then divide among four plates. Divide the scallops over the salad and serve immediately.

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Horoscope

♈ Aries | March 21 - April 20. Your best qualities will be front and center in most of your undertakings with others.

♉ Taurus | April 21 - May 21. You won't settle for being second best and, consequently, you'll be able to effectively handle every challenging situation.

♊ Gemini | May 22 - June 20. There's a chance you could run into someone with whom you lost contact long ago. The initial awkwardness will soon give way to the old bonhomie.

♋ Cancer | June 21 - July 22. Don't despair if you're disappointed by someone upon whom you were relying, because someone else will turn out better.

♌ Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22. The best way to handle a delicate situation is to be a good listener. The injured party is likely to be receptive to your input.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22. This could turn out to be an interesting day, mostly because of a pleasant event that ends up favorably altering your routines.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22. Lucky you, because Cupid has singled you out for some special attention. He'll be working hard for you.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21. Certain tasks and/or assignments you usually find to be a bit overwhelming will be more like play today.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21. Your charismatic personality will be focused on igniting as much warmth and happiness in others as possible.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan 20. A unique opportunity may develop in a rather unusual fashion. It's likely that you'll be able to acquire something you've always wanted.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb 18. A project that you got a friend involved in will turn out for the best.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20. Instinctively, you'll have the ability to see value in things that seem to be of small worth to others. This is one of your best assets.

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Sudoku: Easy and hard

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How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Letters

There's only room on the road for one

Why can't bike advocates understand a basic fact? Bikes' and motor vehicles' sharing the same streets is an inherently dangerous situation. Simply being careful isn't enough. Avoiding accidents requires nearly perfect bike riders as well as nearly perfect drivers; most people can't meet this standard. Numerous bike accidents are inevitable.

SHELDON BURKE, VIA EMAIL

Gun control should focus on people

Re: "NRA funds proposal for armed guards in schools" (Metro, April 3) As a defender of the Second Amendment, even I had trouble swallowing a recent report by a task force set up by the NRA. I actually watched former U.S. Rep. Asa Hutchinson, R-Ariz., delivering the results of the NRA National School Shield Report and its recommendations on C-Span. This is nothing but "High Noon" nonsense. Schools are not made safer by turning them into the O.K. Corral.

However, the other side is just as loopy. U.S. Rep. Elijah Cummings supports legislation up on Capitol Hill to address gun trafficking. He stated that universal background checks would keep guns out of the hands of criminals. Maybe dumb criminals but most gun outlaws will still stockpile all the weapons they seek.

Politicians keep reacting to the weapon rather than the gunman. The debate will continue on endlessly unless we focus on the real issue of better treatment and early detection.

SAL GIARRATANI, VIA EMAIL

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16 Monsieur's affirmative
17 What hams try to steal
18 Full of jolts
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20 Clarified butter
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24 Bungalow
28 Compiled
30 Total
31 Boxes
32 Oblong fruit
33 Summoned
36 Honor society letter
37 Bogs down
38 Axiom
40 Troublesome tendon
43 Flagpole topper
45 Leering sort
46 Joins forces
47 Fillets
50 Leaning on
51 Emerson's middle name
52 Misfortunes
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54 Marathoner
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62 Taiga denizen
63 Jump for joy
64 "Goodnight" girl
65 Top seed's reward
66 Perry's secretary
67 Minotaur's island

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7 Hot lead
8 Rear-end
9 Brat
10 Company benefit (2 wds.)
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12 Ragtime's — Blake
13 Taunted
21 Elev.
23 Cold War power
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25 Old cattle town
26 Bar mixer
27 Harbor vessel
28 Cathedral parts
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31 More certain
33 Odometer units
34 — Marbles
35 Wide valleys
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39 Into the sunset
41 Tough guy
42 Let pass
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44 Frazier foe
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47 Hardly Mr. Cool
48 Bright and —
49 Amanda — of "Gunsmoke"
50 Large artery
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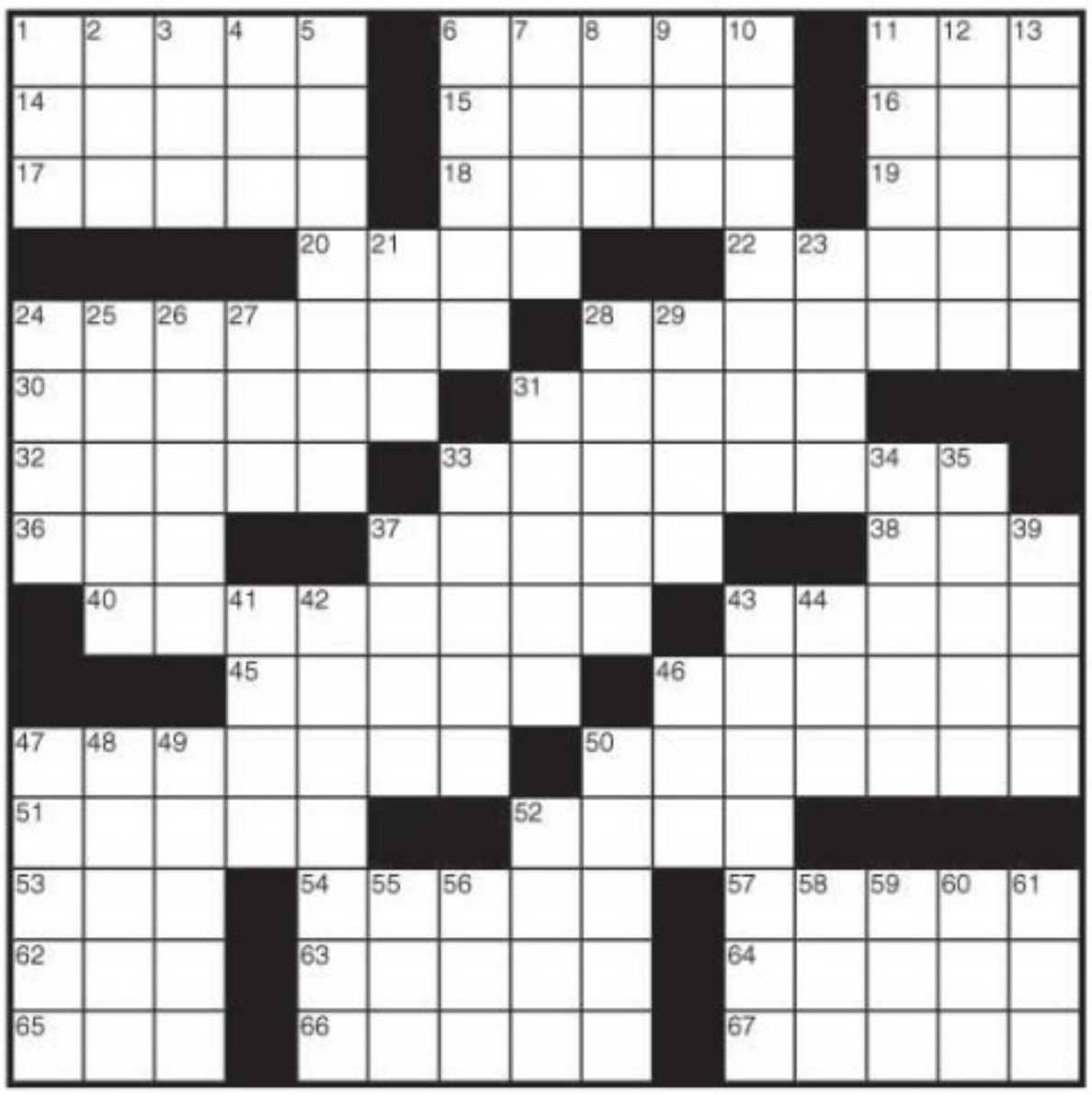

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A sweet farewell for Fluid

Nightclub.
Tastytreats party set to close the club after 16 years.

Get ready for one last Tastytreats party at Fluid. / STACEY "FLYGIRRL" WILSON

It's the final jawn for Fluid. The South Street club, set to close Saturday after 16 years in business, will exit the stage with a Tastytreats party. DJ Jazzy Jeff, aka Jeff Townes, and Questlove of the Roots will spin.

"It's not really big, it's not really beautiful, but it has a vibe unlike any other club," says Townes. "People come in and lose themselves to the music. The place has an amazing sound system and you have 300, 400 people sweating it out. It's been like that from the first day to hopefully the last day."

Tastytreats, a longtime Saturday night anchor on the Fluid schedule, moved to the club in 2002 after a short duration at Filo.

"We worked very hard over the years and we really stuck to what we were about," says Tastytreats promoter Stacey "Flygirrl" Wilson. "The music, the crowd and the times changed but we kept the same vibe, with good music and a place where you don't have to get harassed to hear good music and have a drink."

Quoted

"There's an ebb and flow there and it's so different from a typical club. This club encouraged that ebb and flow, of people moving together, a mosaic coalescing."

Oronde Gibson
Fluid manager

The eclectic nature of the hip-hop infused Tastytreats party — a night where you can hear everything from current rap to classic soul to rock 'n' roll — is representative of the Fluid experience.

It was an inclusive world on the Fluid dance floor, once you found your way inside.

"Friends of mine told me about a Monday night party there, The Remedy [with Cosmo Baker and Rich Medina], and I went looking for it," says Fluid manager Oronde Gibson. "I drove up and down the street, and it was wintertime so I didn't see anybody on the sidewalk and there was no sign. I said, 'Where is this place?'"

Gibson found it the next week, and eventually started working there.

"There's an ebb and flow there and it's so different from a typical club," he says. "This club encouraged that ebb and flow, of people moving together, a mosaic coalescing."

On Saturday, the doors will open early, at 8 p.m., and the policy will be first come, first served. Townes will film the event for a documentary.

"I cancelled some stuff so I can be on the East Coast," says Townes, who played the club about once a year. "I'm playing in L.A. the night before and I finish at 3 a.m. and I have to catch a 6 a.m. flight, but I want to get there early to soak up the day."

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Drink. Wines on tap offer a fresher sipping experience.

Le Virtu is classing up drinking from a keg. The Italian restaurant on East Passyunk Avenue recently installed a system of wines on tap that gives imbibers a taste of young vino.

"It's a different sort of wine experience," says Francis Cratil-Cretarola, who owns Le Virtu with his wife, Catherine Lee. "It's fresh and bright. It's not as structured, the tannins aren't as developed — it's an unadulterated expression of the grape."

In layman's terms, because the wine hasn't been aged or stored in wood, the flavor is simpler. And because the vintner doesn't have to wait to sell it, draft wines can be cheaper.

"In Italy, in France, this is what locals drink at home or at their local trattoria," Cratil-Cretarola says. "In cultures where wine is consumed at every meal, you're not going to always want a big, bold, aged wine every time." Like beer in a keg — and unlike wine in an opened bottle — the wine isn't exposed to oxygen, so it stays fresh. Le Virtu is currently featuring a red from Piedmont, Italy, for $9 and a white from Marche for $8.

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Red or white? Le Virtu just added draft wines. / LE VIRTU

The best shucking chef in all of Philly

Hot Chef. Brett Naylor gets his hands dirty at Oyster House.

After giving the food at Urban Outfitters headquarters a fresh spin and enjoying a stint at Tria, Brett Naylor landed at the popular Oyster House last May. We chatted with the South Philly chef about what's new at his seafood spot.

Brett Naylor of Oyster House
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Oyster House is hosting an oyster shucking competition tomorrow. What will that be like?

We invited a whole lot of amateur shuckers from all over the city. The whole dining room fills up with customers for a few hours and it gets super loud in there. And you get to meet people who are into oysters, so it's awesome.

You're approaching your first anniversary at Oyster House. Any celebration plans?

My wife and I just went to San Francisco for a week, so we'll call that my celebration. We ate at a ton of different places. The restaurants and the big outdoors were so inspiring. Plus, the whole time we were there it was 75 degrees and sunny.

Do you go to the shore in the summer?

Oh yeah, we always go down in the summer to hang out. We have a 2-year-old son who loves the ocean and the sand. One of my favorite things is going down the shore and eating on the dock.

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Strangelove's prepares to entice beer lovers

Food & Drink. The new Center City spot will offer a long list of drafts.

Beer lovers, get ready to toast. A new restaurant with 18 taps and two beer engines is coming to 11th and Walnut.

Leigh Maida, Brendan Hartranft and Brendan Kelly of Local 44 in West Philly are gearing up to open Strangelove's next week. The two Brendans are also the masterminds behind Memphis Taproom and Resurrection Ale House, both known for their craft brews.

There's no place for PBR on what Hartranft calls the "precious" drink list at Strangelove's. Instead, choose from options like vintage Orvals. As for the food menu, there will be plenty of choices for those who eschew meat.

"Vegan and vegetarian fare is always going to be one of our hallmarks," says Hartranft, who's looking forward to one dish in particular: poached egg atop cavatelli in mushroom sauce.

Strangelove's address was formerly home to a series of short-lived bars, but Hartranft thinks the new spot will have more staying power — because they're going to be nice.

"Every area needs more nice. I'm being one billion percent serious; that is our concept," he says. "We get to feed people. That's such an honor, on a daily basis."

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What's in a name?

Brotherly love

Don't expect a Stanley Kubrick scene when walking into Strangelove's. Hartranft said the name has nothing to do with the director's 1964 classic, "Dr. Strangelove." The owners originally wanted to go with Strangeways, but that name was already in use. So how'd they wind up switching to "love"?

"It has a similar mysteriousness to Strangeways," says Hartranft. "And now there's this kind of silly tie-in with Philly being the City of Brotherly Love."

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More scandal

Auburn caught in scandal

Auburn is caught up in a scandal after sports-writer Selena Roberts reported that the school offered football players money to return to school and changed grades in order to keep players eligible. Former player Mike Blanc was quoted as saying star running back Mike Dyer had his grades changed. Blanc has now denied saying that.

PASTOR RANDALL

The former Eagles quarterback hopes to save and heal with new his book.

RANDALL CUNNINGHAM IS HERE TO SAVE YOU

They say football is a religion. If that is true, then there is a church in Las Vegas taking it to a new level. Pastor Randall can be heard at Remnant Ministries, spreading the gospel and sharing life lessons to his congregation. The church is open to believers of all ages, races, denominations — and yes, even to Eagles fans. In fact, some in Pastor Randall's flock show up wearing green, as they hinge on every word of Randall Cunningham's sermon.

"People come from New Jersey, Delaware, and they say, 'You're really a pastor.' They see the tears coming down my face and understand my faith," Cunningham said. "They tell me, 'If I lived out here, I would definitely come to your church.'"

The road wasn't always easy for the former Eagles quarterback, as he struggled with temptation early in his career. After some soul searching — and prodding from Reggie White — Cunnigham accepted the Prayer of Salvation in 1987.

Philly shaped me

I wanted to be the greatest ever, but I also wanted to learn and grow as a man, and I did, especially in Philly.

"Reggie held me accountable for my sins and told me to be strong about my faith," Cunningham said. "He would get in my face and challenged me when I was doing something that wasn't right to get it right."

Cunningham's new book, "Lay It Down," recently hit shelves. In it, he details how his faith carried him through some tough times, including the accidental drowning death of his son Christian in 2010. Instead of getting mad, Cunningham jumped in his car and screamed "Hallelujah."

"I chose to say, 'God, thank you!' How could I be mad at God?," Cunningham said. "We didn't call it a funeral, we called it a Going Home Celebration."

Cunningham chooses to focus on the positives in life. He called being benched a test. He was tested often during his 11 seasons here, but he credits Philadelphia for turning him into the man he is today. "I'm so thankful to God for sending me to Philadelphia," he said. "I wanted to stay on the West Coast, stay in the sun and play golf, but I matured so much as a person because people are expecting greatness out of you. "

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Proud papa

Cunningham's pride beams through the phone when he talks about his children.

- **The national media has dubbed his son Randall Jr. "RC2."** Standing at 6-foot-6 and 180 pounds, the comparisons to Dad were inevitable. The high school junior is a dual-sport star at Bishop Gorman (Vegas), where he plays quarterback and runs track.
- **Cunningham's daughters are also decorated athletes.** His daughter Vashti 13, is being recruited for volleyball and track and field. Gracie, 9, is ranked No. 6 in the country for high jump. Dad coaches Vashti and Randall II on their club track team, the Nevada Gazelles.

Fans

Philadelphia ranks where?

Philadelphia ranked No. 10 as a sports town in a recent fan poll conducted by Scarborough Research. METRO

Eagles

Eagles set to host Patriots

The Eagles will open the 2013 preseason the weekend of Aug. 8-11 at the Linc against New England. METRO

Phillies

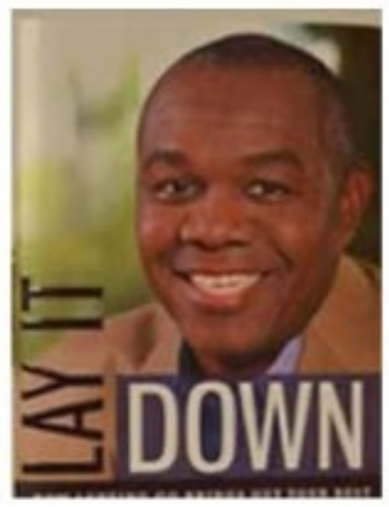
Nix inserted, Mayberry out

Laynce Nix started over John Mayberry, Jr. on Thursday night and batted seventh for the Phillies in Atlanta. METRO

Soul

Soul ready for Orlando

The Soul travel to Orlando on Saturday night to take on the Predators and former coach Doug Plank. METRO



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Kendrick gets the start against Kansas City in the homer opener Friday. / GETTY IMAGES

Home is where the losses are recently

MLB. The Phillies look to reverse fortunes in their home openers.

The Phillies and winning have been fairly synonymous since Citizens Bank Park opened.

They have yet to have a losing season since the park opened in 2004. The CBP era, which includes one World Series title, a pair of pennants and five division titles, is the most successful in the franchise's 130-year history.

However, there is one area where the team is hurting for wins in their relatively new pleasure palace: home openers.

Since CBP opened, the Phillies are 3-9, and that includes losses in 2008 and 2009.

"I love playing there," Ryan Howard said. "Particularly when we start the season off. I love the introductions and the fan's enthusiasm. It's the start of a new season. The excitement is in the air. It's fun playing at Citizens Bank Park in April."

Despite a rough start in Atlanta, there will be hope in the air. Kyle Kendrick will make the start against Kansas City, the first AL team to face the Phils in a home opener.

"That's baseball for you," Royals broadcaster Rex Hudler said. "The game is evolving and now you might open with a team from the American League. It'll be fun for fans seeing a team they rarely see."

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This weekend

Here's what to expect down at the ballpark during opening weekend:

- **Friday: Pitching matchup: Kyle Kendrick vs. Wade Davis**; First pitch: 4:05 p.m.; Note: Standing-room-only tickets go on sale at noon.
- **Saturday: John Lannan vs.** Luis Mendoza; First pitch: 7:05 p.m.; Note: All fans 14 and under receive a Jimmy Rollins replica Gold Glove trophy.
- **Sunday: Pitching matchup: Cole Hamels vs.** James Shields; First pitch: 1:35 p.m.; Note: All fans 14 and under receive a Ryan Howard Wiffle Ball Set.

Did the Flyers deal for goalie of the future?

NHL. The Mason deal opens up a whole series of questions for the Flyers' goaltenders.

Speculation is running rampant that the trade bringing the Flyers Steve Mason, 24, might lead to the departure of starter Ilya Bryzgalov.

That's the gut reaction to a move GM Paul Holmgren concedes could have repercussions beyond this season. Hours before Wednesday's game with Montreal, Holmgren shipped backup goalie Michael Leighton, along with a 2015 third-round draft pick to Columbus for Mason, the 2009 Calder Trophy winner.

But the question on most minds has to be what the arrival of Mason means.

"Steve's still a young goalie with a lot upside," said Holmgren. "We see him as one of our two goalies the rest of this year and moving forward."

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Will Mason eventually replace Ilya Bryzgalov in net?
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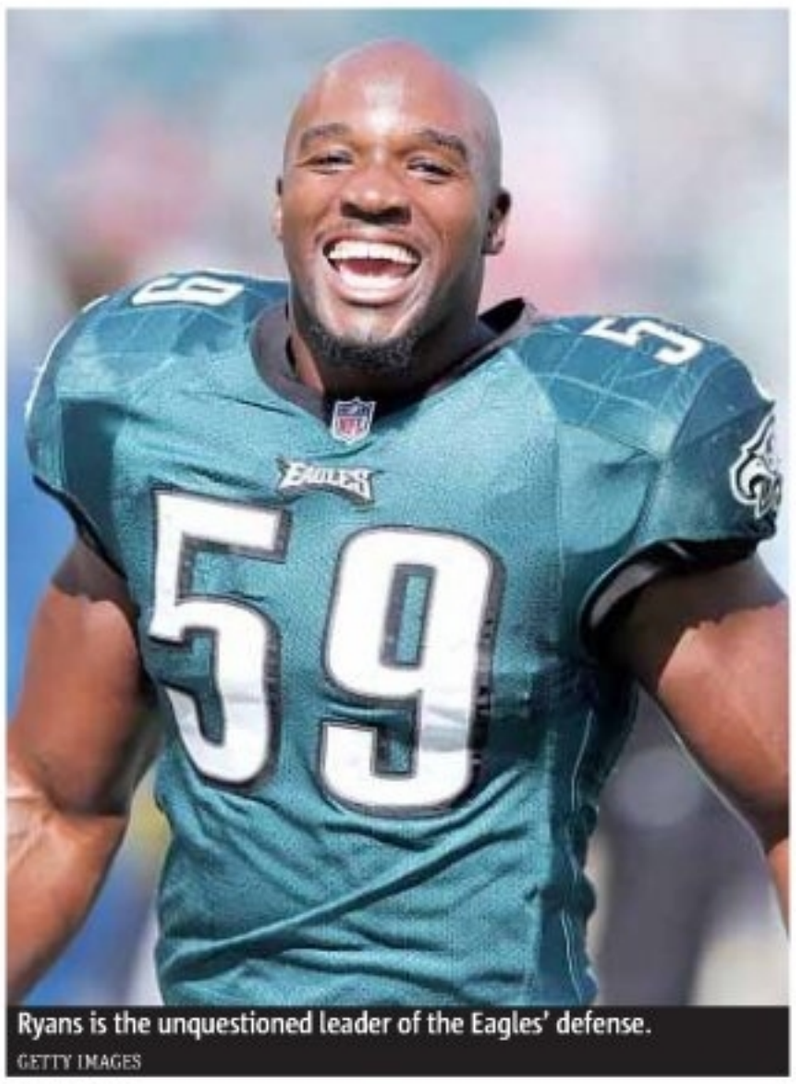
Ryans is the unquestioned leader of the Eagles' defense.
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NFL. The Eagles linebacker has played in both 3-4 and 4-3 defenses in his career.

Part of the reason that DeMeco Ryans left Houston was because his numbers declined after the Texans switched to a 3-4 defense. Now here he is again, on a team moving from a 4-3 to a 3-4 defense.

Numbers aside, Ryans cited the fact that he started at middle linebacker on a Houston defense that ranked No. 1/No. 2 in the NFL. He was rarely on the field for passing downs.

"It's all about being versatile," Ryans said Thursday. "As a linebacker, you have to be versatile. Whatever it is this coaching staff is looking for me to do, I'm willing to do that. I've done both [3-4, 4-3], so I'm open to whatever it is."

Of course, the biggest asset Ryans brings is his leadership. That part of his game is instinctual — in the locker room, and on the field.

"As a leader, you can't just be a leader when things are going good and everybody is a winner; look at me," Ryans said. "We have to grow close together here as a unit. That is something we have to do more of here."

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Trey Burke led the Michigan Wolverines to the Final Four.
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Michigan's Burke wins Player of Year

Trey Burke was named The Associated Press' college basketball player of the year.

The sophomore guard, who almost single-handedly willed the Wolverines to a 87-85 overtime win in the Sweet 16, received 31 votes from a 65-member panel. Georgetown's Otto Porter finished second with 16 votes. Burke averaged 19.2 points, 3.1 rebounds and 6.7 assists.

"The whole year he has been just as calm and cool as if he was a fifth-year redshirt senior guard, so you look at that," said Michigan coach John Beilein.

Burke has upped his game even more in the NCAA tournament. While his scoring is slightly down (15.5 points), he's dishing out 7.7 dimes per game — many of them of the "SportsCenter" highlight variety.

Burke, who will reportedly declare for the NBA draft after the season, was actually selected before the NCAA tournament started, with ballots being submitted by Selection Sunday.

Michigan will play Syracuse on Saturday (8:49 p.m.) in Atlanta in the Final Four, a place the school hasn't been since 1993. The winner plays either Louisville or Wichita State. METRO

Tough task

Up next for Trey Burke and Michigan is the tough task of figuring out Syracuse's tough 2-3 zone. Villanova upset the Orange, 75-71, in overtime back on Jan. 26. How did the Wildcats do it?

- **According to USA Today, "Honestly, we got lucky," coach Jay Wright said.** "We got lucky in that game. They missed some free throws down the stretch and we hit a 3-pointer at the buzzer to put it into overtime. ... They led the entire game."

NCAA

Larranaga wins AP top coach honors

Miami basketball coach Jim Larranaga was named The Associated Press' coach of the year.

Larranaga, who famously led upstart George Mason to the Final Four, led the Hurricanes to the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) regular-season and ACC tournament titles.

Miami finished with a 29-7 record and was ranked as high as No. 2 in the country. The school was ousted by Marquette in the Sweet 16. METRO

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Rutgers. Faculty calls for firing of university's athletic director

A group of 50 faculty members from Rutgers University signed a letter asking for the resignation of Athletic Director Tim Pernetti and answers from school President Robert Barchi in the wake of basketball coach Mike Rice's firing.

Rice, who was fired Wednesday after video of him berating players surfaced, was disciplined with just a three-game suspension in December when Pernetti first saw the tape. It was only after the video became public that he was fired. METRO

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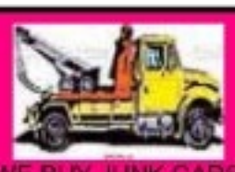

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